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AFFILIATE AND SUBSIDIARY**

**Consolidated Financial Statements
and Supplemental Information**

*For the Year Ended September 30, 2017
(With Summarized Financial Information for the Year Ended September 30, 2016)*



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of the
Institute for Sustainable Communities,
Affiliate and Subsidiary

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Institute for Sustainable Communities (ISC), its Affiliate, ISC Enterprises L3C (ISC Enterprises), and its Subsidiary, the Organization for Sustainable Communities (OSC) (collectively referred to as the Organization), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as of September 30, 2017, and the related consolidated statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Institute for Sustainable Communities and its Affiliate and Subsidiary as of September 30, 2017, and the changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Organization's 2016 consolidated financial statements, and our report dated March 9, 2017, expressed an unmodified opinion on those audited consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended September 30, 2016, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements from which it has been derived.

Report on Supplemental Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements as a whole. The consolidated schedule of functional expenses on page 18 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated financial statements as a whole.

Raffa, P.C.

Raffa, P.C.

Washington, DC
March 9, 2018

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
September 30, 2017
(With Summarized Financial Information as of September 30, 2016)

	2017	2016
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,433,846	\$ 3,347,453
Grants and contributions receivable, net	3,415,622	3,895,263
Due from the United States government	893,560	1,306,662
Accounts receivable	149,518	133,489
Prepaid expenses and advances	160,836	87,646
Investments	281,010	246,646
Fixed assets, net	57,082	35,711
Security deposits	18,649	20,010
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 7,410,123	\$ 9,072,880
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 328,686	\$ 295,212
Accrued salaries and related benefits	153,867	166,970
Refundable advances	59,829	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	542,382	462,182
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	1,197,543	841,340
Temporarily restricted	5,670,198	7,769,358
TOTAL NET ASSETS	6,867,741	8,610,698
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 7,410,123	\$ 9,072,880

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Year Ended September 30, 2017

(With Summarized Financial Information for the Year Ended September 30, 2016)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	2017 Total	2016 Total
REVENUE AND SUPPORT				
Grants and contributions:				
United States government	\$ 2,733,239	\$ -	\$ 2,733,239	\$ 2,700,764
Private foundations and corporations	-	1,314,475	1,314,475	6,087,892
Donated services	43,604	-	43,604	20,030
Individuals	469,393	205,100	674,493	251,829
Contracts	230,030	-	230,030	473,894
Registrations	31,677	-	31,677	6,721
Investment income	40,113	309	40,422	32,174
Other income	485	-	485	8,357
Foreign currency devaluation	-	-	-	(10,300)
Net assets released from restrictions:				
Satisfaction of time restrictions	25,000	(25,000)	-	-
Satisfaction of purpose restrictions	3,594,044	(3,594,044)	-	-
	7,167,585	(2,099,160)	5,068,425	9,571,361
TOTAL REVENUE AND SUPPORT				
EXPENSES				
Program Services:				
Asia	2,838,868	-	2,838,868	3,179,212
U.S. programs	2,375,341	-	2,375,341	1,510,979
Special programs	66,390	-	66,390	159,337
	5,280,599	-	5,280,599	4,849,528
Total Program Services				
Supporting Services:				
Administration	1,417,579	-	1,417,579	1,435,504
Fundraising	113,204	-	113,204	183,601
	1,530,783	-	1,530,783	1,619,105
Total Supporting Services				
TOTAL EXPENSES	6,811,382	-	6,811,382	6,468,633
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	356,203	(2,099,160)	(1,742,957)	3,102,728
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	841,340	7,769,358	8,610,698	5,507,970
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 1,197,543	\$ 5,670,198	\$ 6,867,741	\$ 8,610,698

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
For the Year Ended September 30, 2017
(With Summarized Financial Information for the Year Ended September 30, 2016)
Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents**

	2017	2016
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Change in net assets	\$ (1,742,957)	\$ 3,102,728
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	31,850	40,974
Unrealized gain on investments	(25,337)	(16,768)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Grants and contributions receivable	479,641	(1,226,391)
Due from the United States government	413,102	(470,072)
Accounts receivable	(16,029)	87,396
Prepaid expenses and advances	(73,190)	85,099
Security deposits	1,361	9,236
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	33,474	(95,826)
Accrued salaries and related benefits	(13,103)	12,064
Refundable advances	59,829	-
	<u>(851,359)</u>	<u>1,528,440</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN) OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of fixed assets	(53,221)	(3,360)
Purchases of investments	(9,027)	(10,971)
	<u>(62,248)</u>	<u>(14,331)</u>
NET CASH USED IN INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(913,607)	1,514,109
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>3,347,453</u>	<u>1,833,344</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 2,433,846</u>	<u>\$ 3,347,453</u>

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**NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

The Institute for Sustainable Communities (ISC) is an independent, nonprofit, tax-exempt organization that provides training and technical assistance to communities, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), businesses and government agencies. ISC's mission is to help communities around the world address environmental, economic and social challenges to build a better future shaped and shared by all. ISC's approach to engaging communities and building the capacity of local organizations to solve problems is critical to addressing issues such as environmental health and climate change, where citizen commitment, business engagement and local leadership are needed to have the most impact.

ISC's approach ensures that solutions emerge from within the community, rather than being imposed from the outside. ISC fosters creative solutions and lasting change by combining technical expertise and leadership training with strategic investments in local organizations.

Since ISC's founding in 1991 by former Vermont Governor Madeleine M. Kunin, ISC has led transformative community-driven projects around the globe in 30 countries. ISC is recognized for connecting civic participation with environmental problem solving and, over the years, ISC has developed an approach that accelerates a community's ability to meet challenges head-on.

ISC Enterprises L3C (ISC Enterprises) is a low-profit, limited liability company that was formed in July 2008. The mission of ISC Enterprises is to further the accomplishment of the purposes of ISC, its sole member, by facilitating the opening of offices in locations where ISC works.

The Organization for Sustainable Communities (OSC) is a wholly owned and controlled subsidiary located in India. ISC established OSC to develop the Environment, Health and Safety Center in Pune, India.

ISC achieves its mission through the following programs:

Asia:

In 2014, ISC began work on the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) funded U.S.-China Partnership for Climate Smart Low Carbon Cities (the CSLCC), which was intended to expand the ability of Chinese local leaders and urban practitioners to learn from their Chinese and U.S. peers, while developing the skills they need to plan and implement effective low carbon solutions, and reduce harmful emissions that affect the entire region. The project brought together local, national and international partners to strengthen the capacity of local leaders to use best practices in climate smart, low carbon urban development. It also increased the communication, collaboration and sharing of the most promising urban practices among local leaders in China, Asia and the U.S. The program ended successfully in July 2017 with all four cities in the cohort adopting approaches to carbon reduction. The program will spur an estimated \$40 billion in additional investment for low carbon development solutions.

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1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Organization (continued)

Asia (continued):

Building off the success of the CSLCC, ISC, USAID and Energy Foundation China (EFC) formed the Low Emissions Cities Alliance (LECA) in August 2017. LECA is a \$10 million partnership funded by USAID and EFC, and implemented by ISC. Working with stakeholders in the public and private sectors, this three-year program will expand ISC's previous CSLCC work with four cities to help 12 additional selected partner Chinese cities to significantly accelerate their emissions reductions.

The program will also accelerate emissions reductions more broadly throughout China by creating a network of Chinese trainers and supporting the expansion of national-level policies and regulations that draw upon best practices developed within the 12 cities.

With funding from USAID and corporate and foundation sources, ISC established two Environment, Health and Safety Centers (EHS⁺ Centers) in China to train factory managers to improve worker health and safety while reducing harmful environmental pollution, including GHG emissions. These locally-operated centers in China have been so successful – training more than 35,000 factory managers – that ISC has expanded its EHS⁺ Network, creating local centers in Bangladesh and India. The EHS⁺ Network is a global partnership that connects the EHS⁺ Centers in China, Bangladesh and India and supports ongoing learning among environment, health and safety (EHS) practitioners engaged in the supply chain in Asia. Key partners include GE, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. (Walmart) and Apple, Inc.

In 2014, ISC launched its EHS⁺ Center in Bangladesh, supported by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), Walmart and USAID. In a strategic partnership with North South University in Dhaka, Bangladesh, the EHS⁺ Center offers trainings for factory managers that continuously move industry standards from basic EHS compliance to more proactive and holistically sustainable practices, with a special focus on the ready-made garment industry. In October 2014, ISC launched its partnership with the Symbiosis Institute for International Business in Pune, with funding support from The Walt Disney Company and GE Foundation. The EHS⁺ Center in India began trainings in 2015 and has developed a partnership with Mahindra Group. All three EHS⁺ Centers are currently offering training, collaborating on curriculum, and improving industry practices in "Factory Asia."

In 2016, with the support of the MacArthur Foundation, ISC began the SME CleanTech Deployment program (SME CleanTech) with the goal of leveraging ISC's existing EHS infrastructure in India to increase industrial energy efficiency training, coaching and international best practices available to Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) manufacturers. Since the start of SME CleanTech, ISC has partnered with EESL, the enterprise arm of India's Ministry of Power, to pilot a program to replace inefficient industrial electric motors.

In 2017, ISC partnered with GAP, Inc. to deploy a pilot of ISC's Resilient Manufacturing Communities program in India as part of GAP's Women+Water project. ISC's program will change the way communities work together to manage water resources, assess shared risks, reduce shared vulnerabilities and improve water resilience for all citizens.

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1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Organization (continued)

U.S. Programs:

In December 2014, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded ISC the national coordinator role for the Solar Market Pathways program, a national program designed to accelerate solar deployment. ISC provides technical assistance and network development support to 14 projects across the country focused on various ways to increase solar installation and reduce soft costs, including university campuses, community solar and building resilience with solar+storage.

ISC's Regional Climate Solutions (the RCS) program is a Kresge-funded initiative focused on propagating regionally-focused solutions to the challenges presented by climate change. The regional scale is ideal for implementation of major climate adaptation and resilience initiatives, but is often underutilized. The RCS is largely inspired and informed by ISC's ongoing support for implementation of the South Florida Regional Climate Change Compact (the Compact). Also funded by the Kresge Foundation, the Compact was cited by President Barack Obama as a "model not just for the country, but the world."

With funding from the MacArthur Foundation, ISC is continuing to support development of The American Society of Adaptation Professionals – a national network designed to increase collaboration and share knowledge among academic, government and private sector professionals working on adaptation issues.

In partnership with the Phoenix-based Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust Foundation, ISC is working on a three-year program, Advancing Community Resilience, to analyze the area's existing social and economic systems, and then foster resilience-based approaches to those systems among different communities of practice in the Maricopa County, Arizona, area.

ISC also selected and began work with two additional community-based organizations (CBOs) as partners in its JPB-funded Partnership for Resilient Communities (the PRC). Focused on underserved U.S. communities, the PRC strengthens neighborhoods and local organizations, while innovating new approaches for the broader resilience field that are community-driven, equitable, and just. Each organization participating in this one-to-three-year, intensive capacity-building program receives technical assistance, access to a network of peer organizations and experts, and grant funding to implement its proposed green infrastructure or clean energy projects. Partner CBOs include the Living Classrooms Foundation of Baltimore, Eastside Community Network of Detroit, Larimer Consensus Group of Pittsburgh and the Westside Housing Organization of Kansas City.

Special Programs:

CityLinks – ISC is a partner in the USAID-funded *CityLinks* program, designed to strengthen inter-related urban infrastructure systems such as climate-related governance, resilience and water sanitation in cities around the world. The initial phase of ISC's work on this program came to an end in early 2015, but ISC was granted a new 18-month associate award.

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1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Principles of Consolidation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements reflect the activity of ISC, ISC Enterprises and OSC (collectively referred to as the Organization). The financial statements of the organizations have been consolidated because they are under common control. All significant intercompany transactions have been eliminated during consolidation.

Basis of Accounting

The consolidated financial statements of the Organization have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Consequently, revenue is recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the obligation is incurred.

Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents include short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the Organization.

Foreign Currency Transactions

The U.S. dollar is the functional and reporting currency for the Organization's worldwide operations. Transactions in currencies other than U.S. dollars are translated into dollars at the rate of exchange in effect during the month of the transaction. Current assets and liabilities denominated in non-U.S. currency are translated into dollars at the exchange rate in effect as of the date of the consolidated statement of financial position. There was a net loss of \$399 from foreign currency transactions for the year ended September 30, 2017.

Investments

Investments consist of domestic and international equity mutual funds and domestic equity and intermediate-term fixed-income exchange-traded funds. Investments are reflected in the consolidated financial statements at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

Fair Value Measurement

In accordance with the fair value measurement standards, the Organization has categorized its applicable financial instruments into a three-level fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). If the inputs used to measure the financial instruments fall within different levels of the hierarchy, the categorization is based upon the lowest-level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the instrument.

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1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Fair Value Measurement (continued)

Applicable financial assets and liabilities are categorized based on the inputs to the valuation techniques as follows:

Level 1 – Inputs based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities accessible at the measurement date.

Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, including the reporting entity's own assumptions in determining the fair value measurement.

As of September 30, 2017, only the Organization's investments, as described in Note 4 of these consolidated financial statements, were measured at fair value on a recurring basis.

Fixed Assets and Related Depreciation and Amortization

Furniture and equipment are recorded at cost and include items with a cost greater than \$1,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Depreciation on furniture and computer equipment is calculated using the straight-line method, over the estimated useful lives, generally three to five years. Leasehold improvements are recorded at cost and are amortized over the shorter of the remaining term of the lease agreement or the useful life of the improvements. Expenditures for major repairs and improvements are capitalized; expenditures for minor repairs and maintenance costs are expensed when incurred. Upon the retirement or disposal of assets, the cost and accumulated depreciation are eliminated from the respective accounts and the resulting gain or loss is included in revenue.

Net Assets

The Organization's net assets are classified as follows:

- Unrestricted net assets represent funds that are available for support of the Organization's operations. A portion of the Organization's unrestricted net assets has been designated by the Board of Directors (the Board). Such funds can only be expended with the Board's approval.
- Temporarily restricted net assets represent amounts that are subject to donor-imposed restrictions to be used for a particular purpose or within a specific time period.

Revenue Recognition

Grants and contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless specifically restricted by the donor. Amounts received that are designated for future periods or restricted by the donor for specific purposes are reported as temporarily restricted support. Conditional promises to give are not included as support until such time as the conditions are substantially met. When a donor restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or

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1. Organization and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Revenue Recognition (continued)

purpose restriction is met), temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the accompanying consolidated statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions. Unconditional grants and contributions that have been promised but not yet received are reflected as grants and contributions receivable in the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position. Unconditional grants and contributions to be received in more than one year are recorded as grants and contributions receivable at the net present value of their estimated future cash flows.

Grants and contracts treated as exchange transactions are recognized as costs are incurred on the basis of direct costs plus allowable indirect expenses. Revenue recognized on these contracts for which billings have not been presented to or collected from the awarding agency are included in due from the U.S. government or accounts receivable in the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position. Amounts received in advance are recorded as refundable advances in the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position.

Donated Services

The Organization's programs are furthered through the contribution of services by various individuals and organizations. Donated services primarily consist of third-party partner matching, which is recorded at its estimated fair value as of the date of service.

Subgrants

The Organization has two types of grants that are sub-awarded. A solicited grant is competitively awarded on the basis of a solicited proposal, and an unsolicited grant is awarded on a rolling basis according to clear competitive criteria. Payments made to grantees are recorded as expenses. At fiscal year-end, any payments or balances thereof made to grantees during the fiscal year that have not been supported by a financial report are recorded as advances and included in prepaid expenses and advances on the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the accompanying consolidated statement of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated proportionately among the programs and supporting services to which they relate on the basis of direct labor costs.

Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

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2. Grants and Contributions Receivable

As of September 30, 2017, the Organization's grants and contributions receivable were considered fully collectible and were due to be received as follows:

Less than one year	\$ 3,159,000
One to five years	<u>274,900</u>
Total Grants and Contributions Receivable	3,433,900
Less: Discount Component	<u>(18,278)</u>
Grants and Contributions Receivable, Net	<u>\$ 3,415,622</u>

The discount rate used to calculate the discount component was approximately 3.5% for the year ended September 30, 2017.

3. Due from the U.S. Government

As of September 30, 2017, amounts due from grants and contracts funded by the U.S. government were as follows:

Due from ICMA – pass-through from U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)	\$ 524,978
Due from USAID	229,346
Due from the U.S. Department of Energy	133,620
Due from KPMG – pass-through from USAID	5,497
Due from the U.S. Department of State	<u>119</u>
Total Due from the U.S. Government	<u>\$ 893,560</u>

All amounts were due in less than one year and were considered fully collectible.

4. Investments

The following table summarizes the Organization's assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of September 30, 2017, aggregated by the fair value hierarchy level in which those measurements were made:

	<u>Total Fair Value</u>	<u>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets/ Liabilities (Level 1)</u>	<u>Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)</u>	<u>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</u>
Assets:				
Investments:				
Mutual funds:				
Domestic equity	\$ 119,755	\$ 119,755	\$ -	\$ -
International equity	82,935	82,935	-	-

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4. Investments (continued)

(Continued)	<u>Total Fair Value</u>	<u>Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets/ Liabilities (Level 1)</u>	<u>Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)</u>	<u>Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)</u>
Exchange-traded funds:				
Domestic equity	47,087	47,087	-	-
Intermediate-term fixed-income	<u>31,233</u>	<u>31,233</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Investments	<u>\$ 281,010</u>	<u>\$ 281,010</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The Organization used the following methods and significant assumptions to estimate fair value for investments recorded at fair value:

Mutual and exchange-traded funds – Valued based on quoted market prices in active markets.

Investment income consisted of the following for the year ended September 30, 2017:

Unrealized gain	\$ 25,337
Interest	<u>15,085</u>
Total Investment Income	<u>\$ 40,422</u>

5. Fixed Assets and Related Depreciation and Amortization

The Organization held the following fixed assets as of September 30, 2017:

Computer equipment	\$ 364,654
Furniture	318,443
Leasehold improvements	<u>69,490</u>
Total Fixed Assets	752,587
Less: Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	<u>(695,505)</u>
Fixed Assets, Net	<u>\$ 57,082</u>

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$31,850 for the year ended September 30, 2017.

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6. Net Assets

Board-Designated

As of September 30, 2017, board-designated net assets consisted of the following:

Operating Reserve	\$ 717,616
Fundraising Reserve	<u>250,000</u>
Total Board-Designated Net Assets	<u>\$ 967,616</u>

Board-designated net assets are included in unrestricted net assets on the accompanying consolidated statement of financial position.

Temporarily Restricted

As of September 30, 2017, temporarily restricted net assets were available for the following purposes:

Community Driven Resilience Initiative	\$ 1,838,518
SME Clean Tech in India	1,041,919
U.S. Climate Program Activity	960,879
Environment, Health and Safety Academy – India	755,477
Climate Innovation Fund	318,791
Resilient Manufacturing Communities – India	243,149
Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact	214,220
Environment, Health and Safety Academy – Bangladesh	172,245
Restricted for Time	<u>125,000</u>
Total Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	<u>\$ 5,670,198</u>

7. Commitments, Contingencies and Risks

Operating Leases

The Organization entered into a noncancelable lease agreement for its headquarters office in Montpelier, Vermont. The lease was modified in September 2013 and the lease term extended through August 2019.

The Organization also leases office space in various other locations through short term lease agreements or long term agreements that allow the Organization to terminate the agreement with notice of three months.

Rent expense under these lease agreements totaled approximately \$96,027 for the year ended September 30, 2017.

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7. Commitments, Contingencies and Risks (continued)

Operating Leases (continued)

Future minimum lease payments required under noncancellable leases are as follows:

For the Year Ending <u>September 30,</u>	
2018	\$ 101,157
2019	<u>95,271</u>
Total	<u>\$ 196,428</u>

Office of Management and Budget Uniform Guidance

The Organization has instructed its independent auditors to audit its applicable federal programs for the year ended September 30, 2017, in compliance with Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (the Uniform Guidance), issued by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Until such audit is reviewed and accepted by the contracting or granting agencies, there exists a contingent liability to refund any amounts received in excess of allowable costs. Management believes that any matters arising from the reviews by the federal or state agencies of the independent auditor's reports for the year ended September 30, 2017 will not have a material effect on the Organization's financial position as of September 30, 2017, or its results of operations for the year then ended.

Provisional Indirect Cost Rates

Billings under cost-reimbursable government contracts and grants are calculated using provisional rates that permit recovery of indirect costs. These rates are subject to audit by USAID, the Organization's cognizant agency. The audit results in the negotiation and determination of the final indirect cost rates, which may create a liability for indirect cost recovery for amounts billed in excess of the actual rates, or may allow for additional billings for unbilled indirect costs. USAID audits costs related to U.S. government contracts and grants in accordance with Circular A-122 and/or Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (the Uniform Guidance), issued by OMB. USAID has yet to audit the costs and indirect cost rates for the year ended September 30, 2017. Management believes that cost disallowances, if any, arising from USAID's audit will not have a material effect on the Organization's financial position as of September 30, 2017, or its results of operations for the year then ended.

Foreign Operations

The Organization has field offices in Asia and maintains cash accounts in several of the countries in which it operates. The future of certain programs may be adversely affected by a number of potential factors, such as currency devaluations or changes in the political climate. As of September 30, 2017, the Organization had foreign cash totaling approximately \$274,000. The majority of funds held in foreign countries are uninsured.

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7. Commitments, Contingencies and Risks (continued)

Concentration of Risk

The Organization's cash and cash equivalents are composed of amounts in accounts at various financial institutions. As of September 30, 2017, the Organization's cash and cash equivalents balance held at various institutions totaled approximately \$2,070,000. Of this amount, approximately \$712,000 was guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. The approximately \$1,358,000 remaining was uninsured as of September 30, 2017. While the amounts at times exceed the amount guaranteed by various agencies and insurers and, therefore, bear some risk, the Organization has not experienced, nor does it anticipate, any loss of funds.

Major Grantors

Approximately 55% of the Organization's revenue and support (excluding donated services) for the year ended September 30, 2017, was derived from grants and contributions from three donors. Additionally, the Organization was owed approximately \$3,995,000 from six donors, which accounted for 90% of the Organization's receivables as of September 30, 2017. Management of the Organization has no reason to believe that its relationship with the donors will be discontinued in the foreseeable future.

8. Pension Plan

The Organization sponsors a tax-deferred annuity 403(b) plan for eligible employees. Eligible employees may elect to contribute to their individual annuity contracts through salary deferrals. The Organization's contributions are fully vested with the participating employee after one year of service. The Organization's contributions to the plan totaled \$145,138 for the year ended September 30, 2017.

9. Income Taxes

ISC is exempt from the payment of income taxes on its income other than net unrelated business income under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. ISC Enterprises is a low-profit, limited liability company formed under the Vermont Limited Liability Company Act and is a disregarded entity for income tax purposes. OSC is a wholly owned subsidiary incorporated in India. There is no accrual for income tax expense, as the Organization had no net unrelated business income.

The Organization follows the authoritative guidance relating to accounting for uncertainty in income taxes included in Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification Topic 740, *Income Taxes*. These provisions provide consistent guidance for accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an entity's consolidated financial statements and prescribe a threshold of "more likely than not" for recognition and derecognition of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The Organization performed an evaluation of uncertainty in income taxes for the year ended September

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9. Income Taxes (continued)

30, 2017, and determined that there were no matters that would require recognition in the consolidated financial statements or that may have any effect on its tax-exempt status. As of September 30, 2017, the statute of limitations for tax years ended September 30, 2013, through September 30, 2016, remains open with the U.S. federal jurisdiction or the various states and local jurisdictions in which the Organization files tax returns. As of September 30, 2017, the Organization had no accruals for interest and/or penalties.

10. Prior Year Summarized Financial Information

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include certain prior year summarized comparative information in total but not by net asset class. Such information does not include sufficient detail to constitute a presentation in conformity with GAAP. Accordingly, such information should be read in conjunction with the Organization's consolidated financial statements for the year ended September 30, 2016, from which the summarized information was derived.

11. Subsequent Events

In preparing these consolidated financial statements, the Organization has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through March 9, 2018, the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued. There were no subsequent events that require recognition or disclosure in these consolidated financial statements.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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**CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
For the Year Ended September 30, 2017**

(With Summarized Financial Information for the Year Ended September 30, 2016)

	Program Services				Supporting Services			2017 Total	2016 Total
	Asia	U.S. Programs	Special Programs	Total Program Services	Administration	Fundraising	Total Supporting Services		
Salaries	\$ 1,304,280	\$ 1,065,171	\$ 51,990	\$ 2,421,441	\$ 802,416	\$ 82,892	\$ 885,308	\$ 3,306,749	\$ 3,324,744
Personnel benefits	282,888	293,200	14,311	590,399	206,562	22,817	229,379	819,778	923,740
Consultants	455,549	237,260	-	692,809	25,634	1,000	26,634	719,443	630,224
Subgrants	127,253	352,506	-	479,759	-	-	-	479,759	238,377
Program trainings and conventions	86,279	252,779	-	339,058	10,721	2,425	13,146	352,204	231,222
Travel	215,572	59,586	-	275,158	44,733	-	44,733	319,891	378,815
Occupancy	135,898	-	-	135,898	140,909	-	140,909	276,807	290,325
Office operations	101,992	21,797	-	123,789	57,076	1,826	58,902	182,691	187,228
Professional services	63,308	27,741	89	91,138	15,071	1,309	16,380	107,518	110,907
Supplies and equipment	22,179	15,997	-	38,176	39,700	70	39,770	77,946	48,319
Staff recruitment and development	3,268	5,700	-	8,968	42,907	865	43,772	52,740	43,728
Donated services	-	43,604	-	43,604	-	-	-	43,604	20,030
Bad debt expense	40,402	-	-	40,402	-	-	-	40,402	-
Depreciation and amortization	-	-	-	-	31,850	-	31,850	31,850	40,974
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,838,868	\$ 2,375,341	\$ 66,390	\$ 5,280,599	\$ 1,417,579	\$ 113,204	\$ 1,530,783	\$ 6,811,382	\$ 6,468,633